

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A foliage colorant composition ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of a humic acid, fulvic acid ~~or a mixture thereof~~ and a water soluble dye, whereby in use, the composition may be diluted with water to an aqueous form suitable for spraying onto foliage.
- 2-3. (canceled)
4. (previously presented) The composition of claim 15, wherein the dye contains an organic acid group or a salt thereof.
5. (original) The composition of claim 4, wherein the dye is a salt of a sulfonic acid.
6. (original) The composition of claim 5, wherein the dye is selected from the group consisting of acid blue 62 (Sodium 1- amino- 4- (cyclohexylamino)- 9, 10- dihydro- 9, 10- dioxoanthracene- 2- sulphonate); acid blue 74 (Disodium 5, 5'- (2- (1, 3- dihydro- 3- oxo- 2H- indazol- 2- ylidene)- 1, 2- dihydro- 3H- indol- 3- one)disulphonate); acid blue 1 (Hydrogen [4- [4- (diethylamino)- 2', 4'- disulphonatobenzhydrylidene]cyclohexa- 2, 5- dien- 1- ylidene]diethylammonium, sodium salt); acid blue 185; acid blue 9 (Dihydrogen (ethyl)[4- [4- [ethyl(3- sulphonatobenzyl)]amino]- 2'- sulphonatobenzhydrylidene]cyclohexa- 2, 5- dien- 1- ylidene](3- sulphonatobenzyl)ammonium or disodium salt); acid green 1 (Trisodium tris[5, 6- dihydro- 5- (hydroxyimino)- 6- oxonaphthalene- 2- sulphonato(2-)- N5, O6]ferrate(3-) and acid green 50 (Hydrogen [4- [4- (dimethylamino)- a- (2- hydroxy- 3, 6- disulphonato- 1- naphthyl)benzylidene]cyclohexa- 2, 5- dien- 1- ylidene]dimethylammonium, monosodium salt) or mixtures or any two or more thereof.

7. (previously presented) The composition of claim 4, wherein the dye is an acid blue dye and in use the composition imparts a green color to the foliage.

8. (currently amended) The composition of claim 15 ~~comprising consisting essentially of~~ between about 50:1 to about 1:3 parts by weight humic acid and/or and fulvic acid to colorant.

9. (currently amended) The composition of claim 215, which further ~~comprises~~ ~~consists essentially of~~ a water soluble fertilizer.

10. (currently amended) The composition of claim 215, which further ~~comprises~~ ~~consists essentially of~~ a surfactant.

11. (withdrawn) A method of imparting a colour to foliage, the method including applying a composition of claim 2 to the foliage.

12. (withdrawn) The method of claim 11, wherein the foliage is turf grass.

13. (withdrawn) The method of claim 12, wherein the colorant is an acid blue dye.

14. (withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein the between about 24 to about 120g humic and/or fulvic acid and between about 1.5 to about 7.5g dye are applied per 100m² turf grass.

15. (currently amended) An aqueous foliage colorant composition ~~comprising~~ ~~consisting essentially of~~ humic acid, fulvic acid ~~or a mixture thereof~~, water and a water soluble anionic dye.

16. (currently amended) The composition of claim 15, ~~wherein said composition is in~~ a form suitable for spray application to turf.

17. (previously presented) The composition of claim 9 which further includes a source of iron.

18. (currently amended) The composition of claim 17, wherein the source of iron is ferric EDTA.

19. (previously presented) The composition of claim 9, wherein the fertilizer is urea.

20. (new) A method of coloring foliage, the method comprising applying a foliage colorant composition comprising a humic acid, fulvic acid and a water soluble dye to the foliage.

21. (new) The method of claim 20, wherein the dye contains an organic acid group or a salt thereof.

22. (new) The method of claim 20, wherein the dye is a salt of a sulfonic acid.

23. (new) The method of claim 20, wherein the dye is selected from the group consisting of acid blue 62 (Sodium 1- amino- 4- (cyclohexylamino)- 9, 10- dihydro- 9, 10- dioxoanthracene- 2- sulphonate); acid blue 74 (Disodium 5, 5'- (2- (1, 3- dihydro- 3- oxo- 2H- indazol- 2- ylidene)- 1, 2- dihydro- 3H- indol- 3- one)disulphonate); acid blue 1 (Hydrogen [4- [4- (diethylamino)- 2', 4'- disulphonatobenzhydrylidene]cyclohexa- 2, 5- dien- 1- ylidene]diethylammonium, sodium salt); acid blue 185; acid blue 9 (Dihydrogen (ethyl)[4- [4- [ethyl(3- sulphonatobenzyl)]amino]- 2'- sulphonatobenzhydrylidene]cyclohexa- 2, 5- dien- 1- ylidene](3- sulphonatobenzyl)ammonium or disodium salt); acid green 1 (Trisodium tris[5, 6- dihydro- 5- (hydroxyimino)- 6- oxonaphthalene- 2- sulphonato(2-)- N5, O6]ferrate(3-) and acid green 50 (Hydrogen [4- [4- (dimethylamino)- a- (2- hydroxy- 3, 6- disulphonato- 1- naphthyl)benzylidene]cyclohexa- 2, 5- dien- 1- ylidene]dimethylammonium, monosodium salt) or mixtures or any two or more thereof.

24. (new) The method of claim 20, wherein the dye is an acid blue dye.
25. (new) The method of claim 20, wherein the composition comprises between about 50:1 to about 1:3 parts by weight humic acid and fulvic acid to colorant.
26. (new) The method of claim 20, wherein the composition further comprises a water soluble fertilizer.
27. (new) The method of claim 20, wherein the composition further comprises a surfactant.
28. (new) A foliage colorant composition consisting essentially of humic acid, fulvic acid, a water soluble dye and additives selected from the group consisting of stabilizers, stickers, surfactants or other surface active agents, fertilizers, insecticides, fungicides, pesticides, herbicides and wetting agents, whereby in use, the composition may be diluted with water to an aqueous form suitable for spraying onto foliage.